

What? (Key Knowledge)**Hinduism**

Hindus are the people who follow Hinduism. It is a very complex religion that is followed by different people in different ways.

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Spelling	Definition/ Sentence
Brahman	The main Hindu God
Deities	The different forms Hindus believe Brahman can be seen in
Devotion	Being focused on a particular thing
Puja	A Hindu act of worship
Puja tray	Used during Puja and includes objects used to worship.

Vocabulary you will hear

family, community, worship, rituals, Diya lamp, incense, Ghanta, Talik dish, arti, Mandir, special, and valued

Knowledge

- To begin to understand what devotion is and how this can be expressed.
- To know that Hindus believe in one God; Brahman, who can be worshiped in many forms.
- To describe the meaning and symbolism of items used in worship.
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Brahman and the Gods

Hindus believe in one supreme God called Brahman. He can be found in everyone and everything, including the other Gods.

Some of the important other Gods include 'Brahma' (the creator), 'Shiva', (the destroyer) and 'Vishnu' (the protector).

Other gods include Ganesh (remover of obstacles), Lakshmi (the Goddess of wealth and good fortune, and Vishnu (the God who preserves life and stands up to evil).

Diagrams and Symbols**Puja tray****Brahman – the main Hindu God**